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*(Includes Klamath Falls and Lakeview Resource Areas)*

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## **Forest Service Saddened by Loss of Employee**

**Lakeview, Oregon** – Bruce Hall, an employee of the Fremont-Winema National Forests' Bly Ranger District, passed away in the early morning hours of August 27, 2003.

Hall began his Forest Service career in 1974 at the Bly Ranger District, Bly, Oregon. He worked seasonally until 1988 when he obtained a permanent seasonal appointment at Bly. Since 1997, Hall was the district Prevention and Prescribed Fire Specialist.

"Bruce was an energetic, conscientious, and very knowledgeable wildland firefighter," said Karen Shimamoto, Forest Supervisor. "He was a teacher, mentor, leader, morale builder, and a friend to many," she continued.

Bruce had a very outgoing personality and his life touched everyone he met. "He loved his family; especially his daughters and granddaughter," said Bruce Nichols, Hall's supervisor. "He had a strong spirit and loved the outdoors, the challenges of fire, and cherished a special relationship with 'Mother Earth' and nature. He always had a unique saying, poem, or song to keep morale boosted," Nichols added.

Bruce Hall was 45 years of age, born September 25, 1957. "He will be missed by his family, friends, and co-workers," Shimamoto concluded.

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